

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A non-human meat product for consumption comprising non-human muscle cells grown *ex vivo*.
2. The non-human meat product in claim 1 further comprising:
 - 5 a support structure; and
wherein the non-human muscle cells are attached to the support structure.
3. The non-human meat product in claim 1 wherein the non-human muscle cells are skeletal muscle cells.
4. The non-human meat product in claim 1 wherein the non-human muscle cells are derived from animals selected from the group consisting of mammals, birds, fishes, invertebrates, reptiles, and amphibians.
5. The non-human meat product in claim 1 wherein the non-human meat product is substantially free from harmful microbial contamination.
6. The non-human meat product in claim 1 wherein the non-human muscle cells are derived from pluri-potent or toti-potent cells.
7. The non-human meat product in claim 1 wherein the non-human muscle cells have been exposed to an electric current.
8. The non-human meat product in claim 1 further comprising non-human adipocyte cells grown *ex vivo*.
- 20 9. The non-human meat product in claim 8 wherein the non-human adipocyte cells are trans-differentiated from non-human myoblasts.

10. The non-human meat product in claim 8 wherein the non-human adipocyte cells are derived from pluri-potent or toti-potent non-human stem cells.
11. The non-human meat product in claim 1 further comprising non-human cartilage cells grown *ex vivo*.
- 5 12. The non-human meat product in claim 10 wherein the non-human cartilage cells are positioned between a support structure and the non-human muscle cells.
13. The non-human meat product in claim 10 wherein the non-human cartilage cells have been exposed to mechanical stress.
14. A method of producing non-human meat products for consumption comprising the steps:
culturing non-human muscle stem cells *ex vivo*;
seeding the non-human muscle stem cells onto a support structure; and
growing the non-human muscle stem cells to produce a non-human meat product.
15. The method in claim 13 wherein the step of growing the non-human muscle stem cells comprises:
differentiating the non-human muscle stem cells into different types of non-human muscle cells.
16. The method in claim 14 further comprising the step:
exposing the non-human muscle cells to an electric or oscillating current.
17. The method in claim 13 further comprising the step:
adding nutrients to be incorporated into the non-human meat products.
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18. The method in claim 13 wherein the non-human muscle cells are derived from animals selected from the group consisting of mammals, birds fishes, invertebrates, reptiles, and amphibians.
19. The method in claim 13 wherein the non-human meat product is substantially free from 5 harmful microbial contamination.
20. A method of producing non-human meat for consumption comprising the steps:
co-culturing non-human muscle cells and non-human fat cells *ex vivo*;
seeding the non-human muscle cells and the non-human fat cells to a support structure;
and growing the non-human muscle cells and the non-human fat cells to produce a non-human 10 meat product.
21. A method of producing non-human meat for consumption comprising the steps of:
culturing non-human muscle stem cells *ex vivo*;
seeding the non-human muscle stem cells to a support structure;
treating the non-human muscle stem cells with fatty acids to trans-differentiate the non- 15 human muscle stem cells into adipocytes; and
growing the adipocytes to produce a non-human meat product.
22. A method of producing non-human meat products for consumption comprising the steps:
culturing non-human cartilage cells *ex vivo*;
seeding the non-human cartilage cells to a support structure;
culturing non-human muscle cells together with the non-human cartilage cells on or 20 around the support structure; and
growing the non-human muscle cells to produce a non-human meat product.

23. The method in claim 20 wherein the non-human cartilage cells have been exposed to mechanical stress.

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